



## EX-PRESIDENT OF MEXICO IS ON ARMY LIST

Huerta is Said to Have Issued Orders Recalling Diaz Home at Once—Latter Can't Refuse.

### COLOMBIA DENOUNCES U. S.

Note Is Sent Mexican Congress Severely Criticizing America for Interference in Affairs—O'Shaughnessy Telegrams Admiral Cragg's Visit to General Huerta.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 3.—Charge d'Affaires O'Shaughnessy voiced his regrets today that Admiral Cragg, the English naval commander in Mexican waters, had called on Huerta yesterday.

"I don't believe the call should have been made," he said. "It only raised Huerta in his own estimation and made the situation harder for everybody."

The Mexican congress has received a note from the government of Colombia denouncing the United States for interference in Latin-American affairs and urging Mexico to resist it. A consideration of the message was postponed.

Huerta has issued an order summarily placing former President Diaz on the active army list. Huerta is said to have followed the order with a peremptory one for the institution of legal proceedings to bring Diaz back to Mexico. It is agreed in official circles that Diaz could not refuse without placing himself in a most embarrassing position.

The belief is growing that Huerta's elimination is near. Disapproval of his regime is spreading.

## UMATILLA STATE TAX TO BE 4 AND 1-6TH MILLS

ASSESSED VALUATION HERE NEARER TRUE MARKET VALUE.

Although the average tax for all of the counties will be five mills this year, Umatilla county taxpayers will only pay into the state about four and one-sixth mills on the assessed valuation of their property, the difference arising from the fact that the assessed valuation of the property in Umatilla county has been adjudged nearer the true market value than in all of the other counties save three. The valuation as placed upon the property in this county by Assessor Strain was at first adjudged by the state tax commission to be but 67 per cent of the real value. However, the local commercial association sent a delegation, including Assessor Strain to Salem to protest against this figure and the result was that the assessor's figures were taken as representing 77 cents on the dollar. In only Curry, Lincoln and Morrow counties was the assessed valuation taken at a higher per cent.

By fixing these ratios, the state tax commission arrived at the actual value of the property in the state. To raise revenue enough to run the state for two years and make all of the appropriations voted by the last legislature, \$4,700,000 is necessary. The assessed valuation of all of the property in the state is \$946,232,374. According to the percentages fixed by the commission, the assessed valuations represent on the average 66 per cent of the actual valuation. Therefore, the total full valuation of the property in Oregon is \$1,438,000,000 approximately.

By determining what part of the real value the assessed valuation represents in the different counties, the commission is able to make its apportionment equitably. Last year Umatilla county paid .0428 of the total amount raised for the state and this year will pay a little less per cent, about .0419. Inasmuch as there is \$4,700,000 to be raised, Umatilla county must pay in about \$197,400, whereas last year this county's portion was about \$48,000 on the basis of .0428 per cent of the whole. The assessed valuation of the property in Umatilla county this year is \$47,823,000, including more than \$11,000,000 in public utility property. To raise \$197,400 on this amount would necessitate a tax of about four and one-sixth mills. It is a complicated process, the determining of the county's share of the state tax.

As yet the county officials have not been notified of the amount Umatilla county must raise but the above figures are fairly accurate. The county court will probably receive the notification by Friday and will make its state and tax levy on that day.

## REBELS CUT OFF ALL THE SUPPLIES

Belief Grows That General Villa Will Bottle up Mexican Capital Within a Short Time.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 3.—The rebels having succeeded in cutting off the supply of fuel and oil from the National railways, everything indicated that Mexico City will speedily be cut off entirely from communication with the world.

Deep gloom pervaded in official circles here where the impression is that the end is fast approaching. Officials of the railway made no concealment of the fact that they believed they had less to lose by antagonizing Huerta than the rebels.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—President Wilson sent General Carranza a copy of the message read yesterday before congress. The nearness of the end of the Huerta regime was seen here on the receipt of news that seven generals commanding all of Huerta's military forces in northern Mexico sent a commission from Chihuahua City to Villa at Juarez with terms of surrender to the rebel leader.

## HOSE COMPANIES NOS 1 AND 2 HOLD A BANQUET

NUMBER OF CITY OFFICIALS ARE PRESENT AS GUESTS FOR THE OCCASION.

Firemen of hose companies No. 1 and 2 joined together last evening to enjoy a banquet and they had as their guests a number of the city officials, former fire chiefs, the board of firemen of the other companies and a number of exempt firemen. The banquet was held in the fire engine room of the city hall and was a most delectable affair.

J. V. Taylor, president of the Commercial association, presided over the board as toastmaster and called upon many of those present for a few words. The reminiscences indulged in by the old time firemen brought out some very interesting facts about the history of the local department. For instance it was learned that Mayor W. F. Matlock was one of the first members of the department and donated the first piece of equipment used by it. It also developed that Joe Ell, present chairman of the fire committee of the council, acted as torch bearer for the department in 1883 when still a boy.

Mayor Matlock and members of the committee announced to those present that the installation of the auto fire engine and the electric alarm system would necessitate a reorganization of the department. Any request the citizens make any suggestions they might have for the reorganization.

## BIG INCREASE REPORTED IN AUSTRALASIAN WOOL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—An increase of 160,000 bales in the wool clip of Australasia for the season of 1912-13 over that of 1911-12 is reported to the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce here. The increases come from New South Wales, Queensland, Victoria and New Zealand. Southern and Western Australia report decreased clips. The clip generally is reported as well grown and sound, but somewhat heavier in condition and stronger in quality than last year.

## ALLEGED EX-ENVOY TRIES SUICIDE IN HOSPITAL

HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 3.—The patient in the Harrisburg hospital, identified by Buffalo men as Rowland E. Mahany, who served two terms in congress and was also minister to Ecuador 20 years ago, refused to admit he is Mahany.

Found by Harrisburg police suffering from poisoning, he gave the name of Charles Brown. He was taken to the hospital and he attempted to cut his throat.

## TRAIN KILLS FISHERMAN.

Washington Resident Run Down When Walking on Right of Way. JACOB SUBER, aged 40, a fisherman, was killed instantly here by a passenger train. Suber was walking along the track when overtaken by a train. He leaves a widow and daughter living here. An investigation will follow.

## 27 PERISH IN FIRE IN CHEAP BOSTON HOTEL

Fifteen-Cents Lodging House, Five Stories High, is Consumed by Early Morning Blaze.

### 175 MEN IN THE BUILDING

Top Floor Lodgers Are Trapped Before They Can Get to Safety—Building Was Regular Fire Trap and Burned Like Tinder—Mayor Fitzgerald Will Investigate.

BOSTON, Dec. 3.—Twenty-seven persons perished in a fire which destroyed the Arcadia, a Washington street lodging house early today. The building was a five story, 15 cent hotel and was the worst kind of a fire-trap. It burned like tinder.

The occupants who escaped were driven to the street almost or quite naked, so fiercely did the flames pursue them. Twenty-four were trapped inside and burned beyond recognition. A negro jumped from a window and was killed. George Adams, the only one identified, and an unidentified man were taken out alive but died from their burns at a hospital. Two others cannot survive, the doctors said.

A hundred and seventy-five men were asleep in the building when the fire started. It was among the lodgers on the top floor that most of the fatalities occurred. Mayor Fitzgerald has promised to have a rigid investigation made to fix the responsibility for the tragedy.

Wilson's Cold is Convenient. WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—A slight cold prevented President Wilson today from appearing at the executive office. He remained at the White House at the request of Dr. Grayson. Although this was the official explanation, it created a lot of gossip. Because of the fight over state rights which recently split the conservation congress and the same question is menacing the peaceful progress of the rivers and harbors congress, it was suggested that the president's inconvenience was most convenient.

## DR. STEINER'S CASE TO BE ARGUED THIS WEEK

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 3.—Arguments will be heard in the supreme court in the case of Dr. Steiner, superintendent of the insane asylum here, and who was arrested by Labor Commissioner Hoff for violating the eight hour law by working employees at the asylum more than eight hours a day. The suit was instituted to determine whether or not the law is applicable to laborers employed by the state, and the question is being raised through habeas corpus proceedings.

Will Arrest Pankhurst. PLYMOUTH, England, Dec. 3.—Emmeline Pankhurst is scheduled to arrive here tonight on board the liner Majestic from her lecture tour of the United States. Chief of Police Sowerby said that he intended to arrest her as soon as she lands.

## WEST IS FRIEND OF FINLEY AND CLANTON

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 3.—Attacks on the Fish and Game commission caused Governor West to issue the following statement:

"Inasmuch as certain busy bodies, dropped from the fish and game service for incompetency, etc, and who are anxious to get back at the public through, are inspiring newspaper stories of the expenditures of fish and game funds of which, if allowed to go unchallenged, will seriously impair the usefulness of the commission, I am this day requesting J. W. Ferguson, auditor of state accounts, to make a careful examination of the accounts of the fish and game department, and in order that both commercial fishermen and anglers may be fully informed as to the affairs of the commission, I am asking F. M. Warren representing the cannermen, and H. B. Van Dusen, president of the Anglers' club, to cooperate with Mr. Ferguson in making the investigation requested."

"The story recently given out through the columns of the press that this office was making a fight on State Game Warden Finley was absolutely without foundation. "All members of the Fish and Game commission but Mr. Kinney have resigned and their resignations have been accepted. No appointments will be made until the Kinney case is disposed of and I can be assured of harmony on the commission."

"I have nothing but the highest regard for Mr. Finley and Mr. Clanton. I have the fullest confidence in them and hope to see them both continue in office."

## EX-MAYOR OF SYRACUSE INDICTED FOR EXTORTION



SYRACUSE, N. Y., Dec. 3.—Former Mayor James K. McGuire of Syracuse is believed to be somewhere in the West Indies or South America, for he left New York City suddenly the other day when he reached the conclusion that he would be indicted by the grand jury of New York county. The indictment was found against him later, and it caught and convicted on the charge of soliciting a campaign contribution from a corporation he may serve one year in the penitentiary.

McGuire, it is charged, demanded \$5,000 of the Union Oil company of California to put it in a position where it could sell oil to contractors on state highways. Through the state highway department, which was controlled by Tammany Hall, McGuire was supposed to exercise sufficient influence to get the California concern's product accepted.

## TRUST INVESTIGATION TO BE STARTED ON TUESDAY

HOUSE WILL NOT CONSIDER LEGISLATION UNTIL AFTER PRESIDENT SPEAKS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The house judiciary committee decided today to launch a trust investigation on Tuesday of next week when an extensive series of hearings will be started. The committee, it was announced, will not attempt framing legislation as a supplement to the Sherman law until after President Wilson delivers his special trust legislation message to congress.

## ANOTHER WOMAN MAYOR IN OREGON

TROUTDALE, Ore., Dec. 3.—Oregon and the west won another woman mayor when Mrs. Clara Latourette Larson, daughter of the late Joseph Latourette, one of the most prominent pioneers of Oregon, was elected head of the Troutdale town government with only five votes to spare. Her opponent was S. A. Edmundson. Mrs. Larson, the mayor-elect, has been long identified with women's clubs and civic organizations. Oregon now has two women mayors.

## NEWS SUMMARY

General. Twenty-seven perish in fire in cheap hotel in Boston.

Huerta is believed to be ready to flee the capital.

Trust investigation will come in house Tuesday.

Mexican outlaw in Utah mine is believed to be dead.

Citizens of Indianapolis arm themselves to prevent riots during strike.

Former President Diaz is recalled to Mexico by General Huerta.

Rebels cut off supplies from Mexico City.

Resignation of four members of state fish and game commission abolishes departments in Oregon.

Local. Umatilla county taxpayers will pay little over four mills as state tax.

Golf club may organize in the city. Firemen gather at banquet board and listen to reminiscences from old members.

Special car of business men leaves for Lewiston tonight.

## CITIZENS ARM TO KEEP ORDER DURING STRIKE

No Settlement is in Sight at Indianapolis and Situation is Fast Becoming Alarming.

### DISEASE EPIDEMIC FEARED

No Garbage Has Been Collected Since Saturday When Teamsters Walked Out—Police Carry Guns and Riot Clubs and Guard the Wagons Driven by Strikebreakers.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 3.—More fighting marked the strike this afternoon. Several policemen and special deputies and a number of strikebreakers were injured by missiles thrown by strike sympathizers.

A dozen strikers suffered broken heads inflicted by the clubs of the police.

Samuel Rutledge, a striker, received a bullet in the leg and was taken to a hospital.

Numerous arrests were made. Despite all preparations made by employers to prevent a tie-up, teaming was badly crippled.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 3.—No settlement of the teamsters' strike was in sight today.

Regular policemen patrolled the streets carrying sawed-off shotguns and riot clubs. Non-union wagons rattled about, driven by strikebreakers and guarded each by two to nine deputies wearing pistol holsters and with rifles in their hands.

Mounted policemen frequently cantered up and down the streets with a warning against gatherings of citizens.

For an American city the situation was astonishing. A riot squad of 60 mounted and armed businessmen paraded the streets at intervals for the "moral effect" it might have.

From a sanitary standpoint the situation has grown alarming. There have been no garbage collections since Saturday. Refuse is piling up in enormous quantities. An epidemic of disease is feared if conditions do not improve soon.

DENVER, Dec. 3.—Secretary of Labor Wilson announced today that he had ordered J. B. Denmore, a labor department solicitor, to proceed immediately to Indianapolis to assist in a settlement of the teamsters' strike. The secretary will remain in Colorado pending further developments in the coal strike.

## MANY USES FOR BIRCH ARE RECORDED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—From furnishing material for a canoe in which to hunt whales some hundred odd years ago to supplying New England factories of today with 11,000 cords of wood annually for shoe pegs and shanks is, according to the department of agriculture, only part of the service the birch tree has rendered and is rendering the people of America.

Sir Alexander Mackenzie, the department tells us in a bulletin just issued on the uses of birch, hunted whales in a birch bark canoe. The animals were found at the mouth of the Mackenzie river. He failed to strike the game, and concluded that it was probably for the best. While the canoes are frail, it is pointed out that the bark of which they are made resists decay longer than any other part of the tree.

It would be difficult, the department goes on to say, to estimate the value of the service of the birch bark canoe in the discovery, exploration, development, and settlement of the northern part of this continent. From the Arctic Circle to the Great Lakes, and southward, for a century and a half, that light but exceedingly strong and serviceable vessel threaded the lakes and rivers, bearing trade and carrying civilization where no other boat could go. The French explorers and missionaries made journeys of hundreds of miles in these canoes, often carrying cargoes which would seem beyond the capacity of such frail vessels.

Walla Walla Gives Pensions. WALLA WALLA, Wash., Dec. 3.—Judge E. C. Mills in superior court granted mother's pensions to Mae Welch and Ida A. Kirby. Each has two children. The application of Ella Conner for aid was disallowed.

Fog Clears. CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—The fog and smoke which kept this city in semi-darkness for nearly eight days lifted this morning and the sun broke through for the first time in 80 hours.

Roosevelt Arrives. BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 3.—Colonel Roosevelt arrived here after autoing over the Andes mountains from Chile.

If you have too much money you can easily acquire more.

## THE COMMISSION NO LONGER EXISTS

All Employees of State Department Are Out of Jobs—New Commission Will be Appointed.

SALEM, Ore., Dec. 3.—When Governor West accepted the resignation of four members of the state fish and game commission on Monday it had the effect of abolishing the fish and game departments throughout the state.

The governor today notified Game Warden Finley and Master Fish Warden Clanton that their departments no longer existed. All the employees of both departments are therefore out of a job.

The only member of the commission remaining is M. J. Kinney who refuses to resign. The disruption of the commission resulted from other members refusing to serve with Kinney.

Governor West did not announce when another commission will be appointed.

Will Attack City. VERA CRUZ, Dec. 3.—General Maas is on the way to Tuxpan at the head of 900 rebels to attack the federal garrison there. Envoy John Lind who has just returned from Tuxpan said that conditions there are fairly satisfactory.

## BUSINESS MANAGER IS CHOSEN FOR LA GRANDE

REAL ESTATE AND TIMBER DEALER OF SALEM WILL GET THE POSITION.

LA GRANDE, Ore., Dec. 3.—F. J. Flakky, a well known business man and real estate and timber dealer of Salem, will be made business manager of the City of La Grande. The contract has not been signed but apparently there is nothing to prevent it. The commissioners held an informal session at the city hall where they and Mr. Flakky were in attendance.

Mr. Flakky arrived and has been looking over the field, consulting with some of the department heads and in a general way acquainting himself with conditions.

## OUTLAW IS BELIEVED TO BE DEAD IN UTAH MINE

SHERIFF HUNTING LOPEZ THINKS POISONOUS GASSES HAVE ENDED HIS LIFE.

SALT LAKE, Dec. 3.—Sheriff Smith, in charge of the posse besieging Ralph Lopez the Mexican gunman who is wanted for murder, and who several days ago took refuge in the Utah-Apex mine, said today that he feels sure the outlaw is dead. Nothing has been heard from him since early yesterday morning when he rapped on an air pipe leading from the mine.

The burning of wet gunpowder which was used to generate carbonic acid gas to fill the mine and suffocate Lopez was discontinued today for fear of spontaneous combustion and an explosion which might destroy property valued at millions of dollars.

Powder to Put Enemy to Sleep. DRESDEN, Saxony, Dec. 3.—The Saxony war ministry has been testing a powder recently invented which produces stupefaction. It is claimed the gas from a single bomb has thrown several hundred men into a deep sleep lasting seven or eight hours.

The inventor is a woman, Ida Boehm and the Prussian military authorities have asked her to go to Berlin to demonstrate the efficacy of her invention.

## HEARN GIVES RICH ART TREASURE TO MUSEUM

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The year 1913 will have an unusual record to contribute to the history of fine arts in this country. This fact is brought to the fore by the death of George A. Hearn, the third multi-millionaire art collector to die during the year. His death promises to enrich the Metropolitan Museum of Art with priceless treasures.

Navajos Brought In. GALLUP, N. M., Dec. 3.—General Hugh L. Scott and Deputy United States Marshal Galusha with a detachment of troops of the 12th cavalry arrived here from the Navajo reservation on having in custody ring leaders in the recent uprising among the Navajos.

Glass Replaces Table Linen. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—Revealed plate of heavy glass will be substituted by the St. Francis hotel for linen in its dining room. Society has decided that linen table covers, immaculate as fabric may be, must go.

BRITISH ARMY AVIATOR KILLED AT EAST CHURCH. EAST CHURCH, England, Dec. 3.—Captain William Lushington of the Royal Flying corps, was instantly killed here by a fall from his biplane.

## HUERTA READY TO FLEE FROM CAPITAL CITY

His Cause Grows Hopeless and United States Preparing to Recognize Rebel Leader Carranza.

### LATTER'S TRIUMPH IS NEAR

President Wilson and Secretary of State Bryan Are Considering Plans to Follow When Dictator's Regime Falls—Will Ask Carranza's Name Be Made Public.

Developments in Mexican Situation.

General Huerta has placed Former President Diaz on the active army list and has issued an order for proceedings to bring him back to Mexico. It is believed that Huerta is beginning to see the collapse of his regime and is considered to have made preparations to flee at short notice.

Rebels have cut off railway communication with Mexico City and General Villa is thought ready to march on the capital. President Wilson and Secretary of State Bryan are considering plans leading up to the recognition of Villa as soon as he has established himself in Mexico City.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Convinced that General Carranza, the rebel leader, is very near to making his final blow which will overthrow Huerta, President Wilson and Secretary of State Bryan are considering what policy to adopt toward Mexico following Huerta's elimination.

It is understood that as soon as Carranza has established himself in Mexico City, the administration will ask him to make his plans public and to pledge himself to restore constitutional government in Mexico. He will also be called upon to proclaim a general armistice, prohibit brigandage and set at an early date a real national election. If he does this, it is stated, the United States will recognize him.

The impression here is that Huerta has made arrangements to flee when he recognizes his cause hopeless.

## WOMAN MAKES PIN MONEY CATCHING COYOTES

SPOKANE, Wash., Dec. 3.—Gladys Eaton, a young woman residing at Palouse Falls, 75 miles southeast of Spokane, has rather a unique way of making her pin money. She traps and poisons coyotes for the bounty and their fur. She says she has been quite successful and is making considerable money, shipping the hides to a fur company and securing one dollar bounty for each animal killed and presented to the county auditor.

Miss Eaton carries a small caliber rifle with which she kills her game after it has been trapped. "I am not a very good marksman and sometimes I have to shoot two or three times to kill them," says Miss Eaton. She intends to continue her novel money-making venture throughout the winter and looks for better success during the cold weather, as feed for the animals will be more scarce.

## Seek Bandits.

GLAMIS, Cal., Dec. 3.—Officers are searching for two bandits who rode into Blythe, near here, late yesterday and killed cashier W. A. Bowles of the Palo Verde Valley bank and escaped with \$5000 in gold.

## Aeroplane for Commuter.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—J. B. Strubbe, manufacturer, has ordered a hydroaeroplane to commute between his San Francisco offices and Oakland home.

## Alfred Diamond Robbers Caught.

PARIS, Dec. 3.—A man and a woman, giving the names respectively of Joseph Brecher-Klinsinger and Antoinette Bonner, indicted in New York charged with obtaining \$250,000 worth of diamonds by fraud, were arrested.